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In re Patent Application of:

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For: FABRICATION OF DRAM AND OTHER SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES WITH AN

INSULATING FILM USING A WET

RAPID THERMAL OXIDATION PROCESS

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement set forth in the Office Action dated December 19, 2003, Applicants elect Group I, claims 13, 14, 16, 17 and 42, for continued examination. This election is made <u>without</u> traverse. An action on the merits of all the claims and a Notice of Allowance thereof are respectfully requested.

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